

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
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CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
PCT/AU99/00751	10 September 1999	11 September 1998

TITLE OF THE INVENTION

TABLE OR COUNTER MAT

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant hereby submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. This is the **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limits set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
 - a. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. have not been made.

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10. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:

11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
 13. A FIRST preliminary amendment.
 A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
 14. A substitute specification.
 15. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
 16. Other items or information: Return Postcard
 2 Verified Statements

17. The following fees are submitted:
BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1)-(5)

Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO \$840.00

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO
 (37 CFR 1.482) \$670.00

No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO
 (37 CFR 1.482) but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2))
 paid to USPTO \$760.00

Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482)
 nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to
 USPTO \$970.00

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO
 (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of
 PCT Article 33(2)-(4) \$96.00

ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =

Surcharge of **\$130.00** for furnishing the oath or declaration later
 than 20 30 months from the earliest claimed priority
 date (37 CFR 1.492(e))

CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
Total claims	19 - 20 =		X \$18.00	\$-0-
Independent claims	2 - 3 =		X \$78.00	\$-0-
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (If applicable)			X \$260.00	\$-0-
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$970.00
Reduction of 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity Statement must also be filed (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)				\$485.00
SUBTOTAL =				\$485.00
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed date (37 CFR 1.107(f))				\$-0-
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CALCULATIONS (PTO USE ONLY)

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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). **\$40.00** per property

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =**\$-0-****\$485.00**

Amount to be: refunded	\$
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a. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees is enclosed

b. Please charge my Deposit Account No. **15-0627** in the amount of \$485.00 to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

c. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **15-0627**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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Paper(s) Enclosed:

- Certificate of Express Mail
- Postcard
- Transmittal Letter Covering Filing under 35 USC 371
- U.S. Patent Application: 11 pages & 2 pages of FORMAL drawings
- Preliminary Amendment
- 2 Verified Statements Claiming Small Entity Status
- Declaration & Power of Attorney

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